TRADITIONAL TRIBAL CONSTITUTION

OF

THE NATIVE VILLAGE OF

OLD HARBOR, ALASKA

PREAMBLE

We, a group of Native residents of the Village of Old Harbor, Alaska, having a common bond of residence, in order to promote our welfare through the development of governmental and economic enterprises as they relate to the appropriate National and State public laws relating to Indian programs, do establish this Constitution and Bylaws.

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Native Village of Old Harbor.

ARTICLE II - DEFINITION OF TERRITORY

The boundariesof the Native Village of Old Harbor are to be described

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION I

All Native persons whose names shall appear on the membership roll and being residents within the geographical coverage of the Native Village of Old Harbor for at least sixty (60) continuous days shall be members of the organization of the Native Village of Old Harbor

SECTION II

A. NEW MEMBERS

All children of any member who are residents of Old Harbor shall be members of this organization.

B. Any Native person who becomes a resident of Old Harbor may be adopted as a member of the organization by the Tribal Council by a majority vote in any of its regularly called meetings.

SECTION III

DEFINITION OF AN ADULT

Any Native person who is eighteen (18) years of age or older will be considered an adult and will be eligible to vote at the Annual Meetings.

ARTICLE IV - THE TRIBAL COUNCIL

SECTION I

The Tribal Council shall be the governing body of the Native Village of Old Harbor, Alaska.

SECTION II

There shall be a Tribal Council composed of seven (7) members elected by at least thirty per cent (30%) of the adult members of the Native Village of Old Harbor.

SECTION III

The Tribal Council shall represent the Native Village of Old Harbor in all its undertakings with all appropriate government and private agencies responsible for administering programs that involve grants and contracts to legally recognized Indian Tribal governments and shall exercise the powers of the Native Village of Old Harbor in this Constitution.

SECTION IV

Each member of the Tribal Council shall serve for a three (3) year term, except that of the members first elected, three (3) shall serve for a term of one (1) year and two (2) shall serve a term of two (2) years and two (2) shall serve a term of three (3) years.

SECTION V

Nominations for Tribal Council members shall occur within ten (10) days prior to the election at a regulary called meeting, and shall be open on the floor during the Annual Meeting prior to the election of the Tribal Council.

ARTICLE V - POWERS OF THE COUNCIL

SECTION I

To hold meetings and to vote on all issues and matters relating to the individual and community problems for the common good and welfare of its members.

SECTION II:

To represent the members and community with the governments and the agencies and with any perfon, firm, corporation, or municipality on behalf of the members and the Native Village of Old Harbor.

SECTION III

To provide for filling vacancies in office consistent with this Constitution.

SECTION IV

The Tribal Council may have and use such other powers as may be given to it by the appropriate government agencies.

SECTION V

The Tribal Council may levy dues, fees, or sponsor fund-raising activities for community purposes on residents of the community for the good of the community. Such actions shall be taken only by Resolution of the Tribal Council at any called Meeting.

SECTION VI

The Tribal Council shall establish and create all standing and special committees as it deems appropriate and necessary on behalf of the Native Village of Old Harbor.

SECTION VII - BYLAWS

The Tribal Council shall establish and adopt Bylaws pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution and shall have the power to amend its Bylaws at any called meeting of the Tribal Council.

ARTICLE VI - AMENDMENTS OF CONSTITUTION

SECTION I

The Constitution may be amended at any meeting of members of the Native Village of Old Harbor by a majority vote of the village members voting in the election for the purpose, provided at least thirty per cent (30%) of the voting membership take part. No amendment to the Constitution shall be made at any meeting unless notice is given at least thirty (30) days prior to such meeting, stating that it is proposed that the Articles of the Constitution be amended and stating the nature of the Amendment.

ARTICLE VII - ADOPTION OF CONSTITUTION

This Constitution shall be in effect when it is voted on by a majority of the Village members voting in an election calling for the purpose; provided that at least thirty per cent (30%) of the voting membership take part. The persons entitled to vote are all the adult Native members (18 or over) of the Native Village of Old Harbor, Alaska.

CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTION

We, the undersigned officers of the Native Village of Old Harbor, having been elected as Councilmen and Officers, do hereby certify that we were present at an election called for the purpose of adopting this Constitution

ARTICLE VII - ADOPTION

This Constitution and Bylaws shall be in effect when it is agreed to by a majority vote of the Village members voting in an election called for the purpose; provided that at least 30 per cent of the voting membership take part. The persons entitled to vote are all the adult residents (18 or over) in the Village of Old Harbor, Alaska.

ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENT REPEAL OF CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

Section 1 - The Constitution may be amended at any meeting of members of the Village of Old Harbor by a majority vote of the village members voting in the election for the purpose, provided at least 30 per cent of the voting membership take part. No amendment to the Constitution shall be made at any meeting unless notice is given at least 15 days prior to such meeting, stating that it is proposed that the articles be amended and stating the nature of the amendment.

CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTION

We the undersigned members of the Village of Old Harbor having been chosen tobe the election judges by the majority of the members, certify that we were present at an election called for the purpose of adopting this Constitution and Bylaws on May 14, 1978; that the foregoing was duly adopted at such election by a vote of 66 for, and 0 against, where at least 30 per cent of those entitled to vote cast their ballots.

Polly Inga.
Chairman, Election Board

Martha Kahutak
Chairman, Election Member